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For : A METHOD FOR MONITORING A REACTION BY COLORING
REACTION IN THE SOLID PHASE SYNTHESIS OF A SUGAR CHAIN**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 17, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop **Amendment**
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria VA 22314

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2007, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until November 17, 2007.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for three months to extend the period for response until February 19, 2008 (February 17, 2008 being a Sunday and February 18, 2008 being a federal holiday), and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time for three months accompanied by the government extension of time fee. If for any reason the formal request for extension of time is not associated with this reply or any fees are required to maintain the pendency of this application, including any extension of time fees and any claim fees, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.